

# Preliminary Assessment Report

## Project 3022719, 1917 15TH AVE S

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**Assessment Completed:** 11/6/2015

**Project Description:** SDR - Demolition of an existing single-family house and new construction of a total 5 townhouse units in two buildings with surface parking

**Primary Applicant:** [Gabrielle Muller](#)

This report lists the results of a preliminary assessment of your project requirements by various city departments. It's based on the project characteristics described on your site plan and preliminary application form. If your project required a pre-application site visit (PASV), the results of that site visit are also included. The goal of this report is to help you create a complete submittal package and reduce the need for corrections once your application has been submitted.

### Next Steps

1. Review the requirements in this report and contact the staff members listed below with questions.
2. If a street improvement plan is required, develop and submit it to the Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT). **The Department of Planning and Development (DPD) will not accept your permit application until your street improvement plan is approved as 60% complete by SDOT. See [SDOT Client Assistance Memo 2213](#) for guidance about the 60% complete approval process.**
3. Schedule an appointment for permit application intake with DPD. **Please bring a copy of this report to your intake appointment.**

### Questions About This Report

If you have questions about the information in this report, contact the appropriate city staff member for each section.

#### DPD Drainage Requirements

Eric Dripps, (206) 727-3676, [Eric.Dripps@seattle.gov](mailto:Eric.Dripps@seattle.gov)

#### DPD Land Use Requirements

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#### DPD Preapplication Site Visit Requirements

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#### Seattle City Light Requirements

Dan Langdon, (206) 684-8441

#### Seattle Department of Transportation Requirements

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#### Seattle Public Utilities Requirements

Steve Resnick, (206) 233-7234, [ResnicS@seattle.gov](mailto:ResnicS@seattle.gov)

#### Water Availability

SPU Staff, (206) 684-3333, [SPUWaterAvailability@Seattle.Gov](mailto:SPUWaterAvailability@Seattle.Gov)

## Other Resources

- General questions about the permit process: Contact the DPD Applicant Services Center (ASC) at 206-684-8850.
- User-friendly guides to city permitting processes: [DPD](#) and [SDOT](#).
- [Detailed zoning information](#).
- Visit our [permit type pages](#) for step-by-step instructions and forms for preparing your application and plans for review.

## Requirements

### **DPD Drainage Requirements**

The following requirements are based on the current stormwater and side sewer codes.

#### **Existing Public Drainage Infrastructure**

Sanitary sewer main location: 15th Ave S

Sanitary sewer main size: 12" Diameter

Storm drainage main location: S Plum St

Storm drainage main size: 12" Diameter

#### **Drainage**

The drainage point of discharge (SMC 22.805.020) is located at: Public storm drain system.

An extension of the public storm drain is required across the full frontage of the property (SMC 22.800.040).  
Storm Drain extension from S Plum St to north PL

This main extension may be eligible to enter into a Latecomer Agreement.

Latecomer agreements allow a property owner who has installed water or sewer utility system improvements to recover a portion of the costs of those improvements from other property owners who later connect to the improvements. For more information, please visit our website at

[http://www.seattle.gov/util/Engineering/Consulting\\_Resources/LatecomerAgreements/index.html](http://www.seattle.gov/util/Engineering/Consulting_Resources/LatecomerAgreements/index.html)

or call SPU's Development Services Office at 206-684-3333.

#### **\*\*Alert\*\* Drainage requirements indicated in this Preliminary Assessment**

**Report are per the 2009 Stormwater Code and Manual. The new 2016 Stormwater Code and Manual will become effective on January 1, 2016. The new rules will replace the current Stormwater Code and Directors' Rules. Projects with accepted applications on or after January 1, 2016 will be subject to the new 2016 Stormwater Code and Directors' Rules.**

#### **Flow Control Compliance**

All new, replaced, and disturbed topsoil shall be amended with organic matter per rules promulgated by the Director prior to completion of the project to improve onsite management of drainage water flow and water quality per SMC 22.805.020.E. A completed [Construction Stormwater Control and Soil Amendment Standard Plan](#) is required.

Submit a [Standard Drainage Control Plan for Small Projects](#) including the [Green Stormwater Requirement Calculator](#).

For projects with 5,000 square feet or more of new plus replaced impervious surface, a comprehensive drainage control plan and construction stormwater control plan shall be prepared by a licensed engineer.

#### **Water Quality**

No requirements

## Wastewater

The wastewater point of discharge (SMC 21.16.070.B) is located at Sanitary Sewer - 15th Ave S.

All homeowners and building owners in King County's service area whose home or building was newly connected to the King County sewer system on or after Feb. 1, 1990 must pay a [King County Capacity Charge](#).

## Permanent and Temporary Dewatering

The footing drain (if part of building plan) point of discharge ([DPD DR 4-2011](#)) is located at the following: Public storm drain system.

## Side Sewer

The existing side sewer for a new or converted building or dwelling unit may be reused pursuant to SMC 21.16.240.

In order to reuse an existing side sewer, the [Side Sewer Evaluation and Certification Form](#) must be completed by a licensed engineer.

## DPD Land Use Code Requirements

### Street Requirements

Based on the scope of the proposed project, the following street improvements are required per Chapter 23.53 of the Seattle Municipal Code. Please review Right-of-Way Improvements Manual for design criteria (<http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/rowmanual/manual/>). Show required street improvements on your "enhanced site plan" at DPD permit application intake. If an SDOT Street Improvement Plan (SIP) is required, please list SDOT project number and SDOT contact name on the enhanced site plan. Street Improvement Plans must be accepted by SDOT prior to DPD permit application intake.

#### 15TH AVE S

Existing curbcuts that will no longer be used are required to be removed, and the curbline reinstalled, per SDOT standards.

Any planting proposed within the ROW must be reviewed and approved by DPD and SDOT.

### Alley Requirements

#### Alley

Improve width abutting lot and portion between lot and connecting street to crushed rock or better. The Seattle Right of Way Improvements Manual ([http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/stuse\\_docs.htm](http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/stuse_docs.htm)) contains design details.

### Land Use

An arborist report may be required. See CAM 242 for more detail.

Alley access may be required

## Pre-Application Site Visit (PASV) Requirements

PASV report requirements may be subject to additions, changes, or modifications by the department. The purpose of the report is to alert the applicant that there may be unusual or complex site conditions that trigger requirements from the department regarding this project. **The applicant is responsible for providing all required documents at the intake appointment.** If you have questions about this report or the PASV process, please contact the DPD Site Development Team at (206) 684-8860.

**Note:** Any project application associated with the development site can utilize the results from this PASV if the application is accepted by DPD within 24 months of the above inspection date. After 24 months, the applicant must apply for another PASV. No extensions will be granted.

### ECA Mapping Unit and Type

Non-ECA

### Earth Disturbance

If excavation has the potential to encroach on adjacent property in order to facilitate construction activity, please provide documentation of consent from the adjacent property owner. Show area of proposed encroachment on the submitted drawings and detailed cross-sections.

If temporary cuts greater than 1h:1v will be required in order to facilitate construction activity, please provide a geotechnical engineer's verification that soil conditions allow cuts to stand unsupported. Include detailed cross sections.

Please show all existing and proposed retaining walls/rockeries and the exposed height.

If shoring will be required, please provide submittals by geotechnical and structural engineers and show the proposed system on the submitted drawings. Include detailed cross sections.

## **Existing ROW Conditions**

### **15TH AVE S**

Street conditions:

Concrete paving

Visible pavement width is: 40

Curb conditions:

Curb adjacent to site

Concrete

Approximate curb height: 5 inches

A storm inlet does not appear to be located <350 ft from the site and prior to crossing a public right of way.

## **Potential Impacts to Seattle Parks Property**

No parks property in vicinity

## **Construction Stormwater Control**

All projects with earth disturbance, regardless of size, require temporary and permanent stormwater control in accordance with the Construction Stormwater Control (CSC) Technical Requirements Manual ([DR 16-2009, Volume 2](#)).

**Show the following on the [Construction Stormwater Control and Soil Amendment Standard Plan](#):**

Place filter fabric, straw bales, straw wattles, or other approved equal to control construction stormwater runoff. Required along the following property lines:

Show the location of a stabilized construction access to the site; show methods to eliminate uncontrolled conveyance of mud and dirt into the right of way (ROW).

Place silt-trapping inserts in receiving catch basins located within 10 feet of construction entrance.

Cover bare soil with compost blankets, straw, mulch, matting, or other approved equal to control construction stormwater runoff.

Cover stockpiles and bare slopes with compost blankets, tarps, matting or other approved equal to control construction stormwater runoff.

A First Ground Disturbance inspection is required before any ground disturbance related to this permit, including demolition, tree cutting, clearing, grubbing, and grading. After your permit is issued, schedule an inspection by calling (206) 684-8900 or [online](#) at

<http://web1.seattle.gov/DPD/InspectionRequest/default.aspx>.

## **Inspectors Notes**

While site does not show as ECA, there is a hill to the west that continues up to the next street (14th). Back yard is overgrown to PL.

## **Seattle City Light Requirements**

### **Easements**

SCL power easement may be required. Property survey may be required at project's expense.

SCL blanket power easement over the entire parent parcel may be required. Property survey may be required at project's expense. If this is a unit lot subdivision, a blanket easement is needed.

### **Conservation**

Built Smart Programs - SCL offers developers of 5+ unit multifamily buildings incentives for installation of energy efficiency measures. From insulation and windows to lighting and appliances, take advantage of new technologies and construct a more efficient building with our help. For more information: contact Beth Rocha at (206)684-5945 or [beth.rocha@seattle.gov](mailto:beth.rocha@seattle.gov).

## **SDOT Requirements**

The City of Seattle's Right-of-Way Improvements Manual (ROWIM) and SDOT's Street & Sidewalk Pavement Opening and Restoration (PORR) Director's Rule 2004-02 may be accessed from SDOT's Street Use website at: [http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/stuse\\_docs.htm](http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/stuse_docs.htm). Whenever possible, specific reference notation for

these two design documents is noted next to the design characteristics below. Be advised that these specific section and chapter references are provided as preliminary guidance only and are not comprehensive in scope.

## **SDOT Permitting Information**

Initial Review Deposit: \$2,500

SDOT Plan Requirements: Engineered plan

SDOT Permit Requirements: Group 3: Street Use Major (Type 45). A 60% complete street improvement plan (SIP) must be approved by SDOT prior to your DPD construction intake appointment. SIP Design Guidance is required for 60% complete SIP approval; apply early. Please visit SDOT's Street Use website at:

[http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/stuse\\_sip.htm](http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/stuse_sip.htm) to obtain SDOT Client Assistance Memos (CAMs) and application materials to assist in developing your street improvement plan (SIP).

## **Street Improvement Requirements**

### **15TH AVE S**

New/Replacement Curb: See Seattle Right of Way Improvements Manual (ROWIM) and the City of Seattle Standard Plan 410.

## **Alley Requirements**

### **Alley**

Alley Grading: Standard alley cross section at established grade for portion of alley being improved. See Seattle Right of Way Improvements Manual (ROWIM) chapter 4. Apply for SDOT SIP Design Guidance. See SDOT CAM 2211.

Alley Drainage: Required for portion of alley being improved. A drainage review is required for any project which involves more than 750 sq ft of land disturbing activity in the public right-of-way. See Seattle Right of Way Improvements Manual (ROWIM) section 4.17.

## **SPU Requirements**

### **Flow Control Compliance**

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Roadway projects with 7,000 square feet or more of land disturbing activity or 2,000 square feet or more of new plus replaced impervious surface must implement green stormwater infrastructure to infiltrate, disperse, and retain drainage water onsite to the maximum extent feasible without causing flooding, landslide, or erosion impacts per SMC 22.805.020.F. Flow control standards must be first met by utilizing green stormwater infrastructure to the maximum extent feasible. Additional flow control measures shall be installed if the flow control standard cannot be met solely using green stormwater infrastructure. Refer to DR GSI to MEF and DR Vol.3.

### **Stormwater Treatment**

No requirements

## **Water Availability**

Your water availability assessment has been approved.

Water Availability Certificate reference number: 20151677

Water Availability Certificate status: Approved with No Changes

Prepared by: Michael Barrett

### **Existing Water System Information**

Proximity of nearest fire hydrant is: 134 feet SE of property. Meets standards.

Water Main:

Size: 8 inches

Material: Cast Iron

Class: A

- Standard

- Abutting

Water Main is available to serve in: 15th Avenue S

Distance of main to W margin of street is 42 feet.

Public ROW width is 66 feet.

Water Service(s):

Size: 3/4"

Material: Copper

## **Other Requirements**

Owners of residential property occupied by a tenant who will be displaced by housing demolition, substantial rehabilitation, change of use, or removal of use restrictions may need to obtain a Tenant Relocation License. Refer to DPD Tip 123, Seattle's Tenant Relocation Assistance Ordinance, for further information and instructions or call (206) 684-7979.

If your project involves additions or modification to or demolition of an existing building that contains four or more dwelling units or 4,000 square feet or more of non-residential area, and the building is a designated historic landmark or is 50 years old and meets the criteria set forth in SMC 25.12 for landmark designation, SEPA is required. Please contact the Department of Neighborhoods at (206) 684-0228 or [www.seattle.gov/neighborhoods/preservation](http://www.seattle.gov/neighborhoods/preservation) to determine if your building is a designated landmark or if a referral is necessary to determine if the building meets the criteria in SMC 25.12. Refer to Tip 208 for information regarding the application requirements for a SEPA review and Tip 3000 for information regarding landmarks and historic preservation.

If the scope of your proposed project changes before your DPD intake appointment or SDOT street improvement plan application, the requirements in this report may change. If there are municipal code and ordinance changes before our DPD intake appointment, the project must meet the new code requirements. Additional street improvement requirements may be triggered if a permit application for a development project on adjacent property is also undergoing review.

Please be aware that all persons or companies working within the City limits, including all contractors, subcontractors, permit expeditors and other service providers are required to possess a valid City of Seattle business license. This license is required in addition to any other licenses required by the State of Washington, such as a contractors' license or state business license. For more information about City of Seattle business licenses, please contact inspector Michale Crooks at 206-684-8871, [Michale.Crooks@seattle.gov](mailto:Michale.Crooks@seattle.gov), or visit the [Licensing and Tax Administration Division website](#).